

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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Notice NAP-93

For: State and County Offices

Discontinuation of RMA's Raspberry Blackberry Pilot Crop Insurance Program

Approved by: Acting Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



1 Overview

A Background

For 2006 and prior crop years, the raspberry blackberry pilot crop insurance program has been available through RMA. FSA has been informed by RMA that effective for the 2007 crop year this pilot program has been terminated. As a result, crop insurance will no longer be available at the CAT level coverage.

As provided in 7CFR §1437.4, NAP assistance is available to producers of eligible commercial crops for which catastrophic coverage is **not** available. Because NAP provides crop loss protection for crops for which crop insurance is **not** available, these crops are eligible under NAP.

B Purpose

This notice informs State and County Offices that, beginning with the 2007 crop year:

- the raspberry/blackberry pilot crop insurance program has been terminated by RMA
- CAT level coverage will **not** be available
- these crops are eligible for coverage under NAP if all other eligibility criteria are met
- if applicable, NAP applications for coverage can be taken
- State and County Offices shall monitor RMA's web site for insurable crops.

Disposal Date	Distribution
January 1, 2007	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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2 CAT Coverage

A RMA's 2006 Insurable Crops

The following table identifies the location where crop insurance is available for 2006 by State, county, crop, crop code, crop type, and intended use.

State	County	Crop Name	Crop Code	Crop Type	Intended Use
California	Monterey Santa Cruz	Raspberry Biennial	0818	RED	FH
		All Other Raspberry	0819		
		Olallie Blackberry	0820	OLA	
		All Other Blackberry	0821	BLK	
Oregon	Clackamas	Red Raspberry	0811	RED	FH
	Marion	All Other Raspberry	0812		
	Multnomah	Boysenberry	0813	BOY	
Washington	Clark Cowlitz	Evergreen Blackberry	0814	EVG	
		Loganberry	0815	LOG	
		Marion Blackberry	0816	MAR	
		All Other Blackberry	0817	BLK	

3 State and County Office Action

A State Office Action

State Offices shall ensure that:

- all County Offices are notified of the contents of this notice
- RMA's changes for crops that are insurable at the CAT level are published in newsletters, etc
- County Offices are notifying producers of all changes to the list of crops insurable at CAT level through newsletters and other outreach efforts
- RMA's web site at <http://www3.rma.usda.gov/apps/docbrowser/docbrowserb.cfm> is being monitored for up-to-date crop insurance data.

B County Office Action

County Office shall ensure that for 2007:

- all producers are notified of the termination of the raspberry/blackberry crop insurance program through newsletters, outreach efforts, news media, etc
- applications for coverage are taken from all interested persons
- the RMA web site is reviewed for up-to-date crop insurance data.